

# Snow Removal

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### **14-45.1 Snow and Ice Removal from Sidewalks and Driveways**

### **17-3.3 Placement on Public Streets Prohibited**

#### **Who is responsible for clearing the ice/snow?**

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According to the Borough of Watchung Municipal Code “The owner or tenant of real property abutting, adjoining, or bordering any public street shall remove all snow and ice from the abutting, adjoining, or bordering sidewalk and driveway within the public right-of-way, of said public street...”

#### **How long do I have to clear the sidewalks?**

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Within twenty-four (24) hours of the snow having fallen or the ice having formed.

#### **How much snow do I need to clear to comply with the law?**

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You must clear the entire width of the sidewalk. You must also clear the portion of your driveway that abuts, adjoins or borders any public street or public right-of-way.

#### **What is the best way to remove snow from the sidewalk?**

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Remove snow along ALL of the sidewalks adjacent to your property including any ramps to the crosswalk.

Move snow to your yard.

Do not push snow into the street.

Do not cover crosswalks with snow.

Do not push snow onto your neighbor's property.

#### **You are as responsible for clearing ice on your sidewalk and driveway as clearing snow.**

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Ice can be more dangerous and intimidating than snow.

The sooner and more completely you shovel, the less likely ice will form.

Make arrangements for someone to take over while you are on vacation.

Apply salt or other anti-icing products that will help melt snow and reduce ice formation on the roadway.

#### **What happens if I don't clear my sidewalks?**

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Non-compliance will result in the Borough issuing a summons returnable in Municipal Court.